

Project: Black-and-White T-Shirt Throw

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Unite T-shirts that have a variety of themes and colors with a simple black-and-white background. An assortment of prints lends contrast and movement for a fun quilt that showcases memories.

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Materials

- 14 T-shirts
- $\frac{5}{8}$ yard black dot (blocks)
- $\frac{5}{8}$ yard black dotted line print (blocks)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ yard black scribble print (blocks)
- 1 yard black circle print (blocks, binding)
- $\frac{1}{4}$ yard white polka dot (blocks)
- 7 yards ultralightweight fusible interfacing (such as Pellon 911FF)
- $3\frac{5}{8}$ yards backing fabric
- 64x79" batting

Finished quilt: 55 $\frac{1}{2}$ x70 $\frac{1}{2}$ "

Quantities are for 44/45"-wide, 100% cotton fabrics.

Measurements include $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam allowances. Sew with right sides together unless otherwise stated.

Prepare T-Shirts

1. Cut T-shirts open; remove collars and armholes but do not trim to size.
2. Place T-shirts facedown. Lay fusible interfacing over the printed designs.
3. Following manufacturer's instructions, press fusible interfacing onto wrong sides of T-shirts; let cool.

Cut T-Shirts

From interfaced T-shirts, cut:

- 6—12 $\frac{1}{2}$ x16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles
- 8—12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " squares

Cut Fabrics

Cut pieces in the following order.

From black dot, cut:

- 4—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ x42" strips
- 2—2x20 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips
- 2—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x15 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips
- 4—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x16" strips
- 2—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips

From black dotted line print, cut:

- 1—2x42" strip
- 5—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ x42" strips
- 1—3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x15 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strip
- 4—3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips

From black scribble print, cut:

- 4—2x16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips
- 4—3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips
- 1—3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x15 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strip

From black circle print, cut:

- 7—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x42" binding strips
- 2—2x20 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips
- 2—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips
- 4—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x16" strips
- 2—2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x15 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips

From white polka dot, cut:

- 1—2x42" strip
- 1—1 $\frac{1}{2}$ x42" strip

Assemble Block A

1. Sew together a black dot 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ x42" strip and a black dotted line print 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ x42" strip to make a strip set. Press seams toward black dotted line print strip. Repeat to make four strip sets. Cut strip sets into four 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ "-wide segments and four 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ "-wide segments (**Diagram 1**).
2. Add 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ "-wide segments to short edges of a T-shirt 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ x16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle. Press seams toward pieced segments (**Diagram 2**). Join 20 $\frac{1}{2}$ "-wide segments to remaining edges to make Block A. Press seams toward pieced segments. Block A should be 16 $\frac{1}{2}$ x20 $\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances. Repeat to make a second Block A, reversing which black print is next to T-shirt rectangle.

Assemble Block B

1. Sew a black dotted line 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to top edge of a T-shirt 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square (**Diagram 3**). Press seam toward black print strip. Add a black dot 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x15 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to right-hand edge to make Block B. Press seam toward strip. Block B should be 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ x15 $\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances. Repeat to make a reversed Block B, sewing black dotted line strip to bottom edge and black dot strip to left-hand edge.
2. Using black scribble print 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips and black circle print 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x15 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips, repeat step 1 to make a second Block B and a second reversed Block B.

Assemble Block C

1. Referring to **Diagram 4**, sew a black scribble print 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to top edge of a T-shirt 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square. Sew a second black scribble print 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to bottom edge of second T-shirt 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " square. Press seams toward black print strips.
2. Sew together Step 1 units and a black scribble print 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x15 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to make Block C. Press seams in one direction. Block C should be 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ x15 $\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances.
3. Using black dotted line print 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x12 $\frac{1}{2}$ " and 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x15 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strips, repeat steps 1 and 2 to make a second Block C.

Assemble Block D

1. Join black scribble print 2x16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to left-hand edge of T-shirt 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ x16 $\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangle (**Diagram 5**). Press seams toward black print strip.

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2. Sew a black circle print $2\frac{1}{2}\times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to right-hand edge of T-shirt rectangle. Press seam toward black print strip.
3. Add black circle print $2\frac{1}{2}\times 16$ " strips to top and bottom edges of T-shirt rectangle. Press seams toward black print strips.
4. Sew a black dot $2\times 20\frac{1}{2}$ " strip to left-hand edge of T-shirt rectangle. Press seam toward black print strip.
5. Sew together a black dotted line print $1\frac{1}{2}\times 42$ " strip and a white polka dot 2×42 " strip to make a strip set. Press seam toward black strip. Cut strip set into two $20\frac{1}{2}$ "-wide segments.
6. Sew a $20\frac{1}{2}$ "-wide segment to right-hand edge of T-shirt rectangle to make Block D (Diagram 5). Press seam toward segment. Block D should be $20\times 20\frac{1}{2}$ " including seam allowances
7. Assembling in mirror-image fashion and using a remaining $20\frac{1}{2}$ "-wide segment, repeat steps 1-4, then 6 to make a mirror-image Block D.
8. Using the following pieces and referring to Diagram 6, repeat steps 1-7 to make a second Block D and a second mirror-image Block D: two T-shirt $12\frac{1}{2}\times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " rectangles, two black scribble print $2\times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " strips, two black dot $2\frac{1}{2}\times 16\frac{1}{2}$ " strips, four black dot $2\frac{1}{2}\times 16$ " strips, two black circle print $2\times 20\frac{1}{2}$ " strips, one black dotted line print 2×42 " strip, and one white polka dot $1\frac{1}{2}\times 42$ " strip.

Assemble Quilt Center

1. Referring to Quilt Assembly Diagram sew together pieced blocks in four horizontal rows. Press seams open. Each row should be $55\frac{1}{2}$ " wide including seam allowances.
2. Sew together rows to complete quilt center. Press seams open.

Finish Quilt

1. Layer quilt top, batting, and backing; baste. Quilt as desired.
2. Bind with black circle print binding strips.

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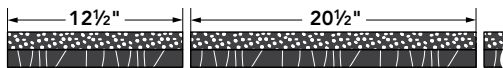


DIAGRAM 1

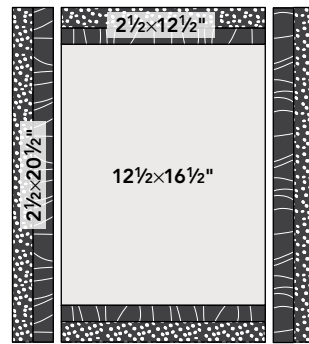


DIAGRAM 2
BLOCK A

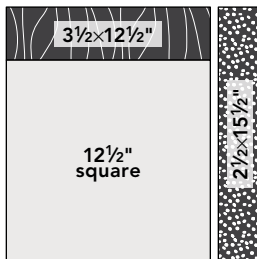


DIAGRAM 3
BLOCK B



DIAGRAM 4
BLOCK C

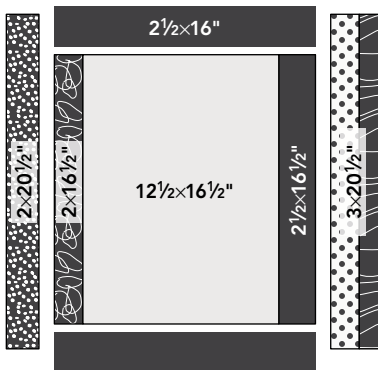


DIAGRAM 5
BLOCK D

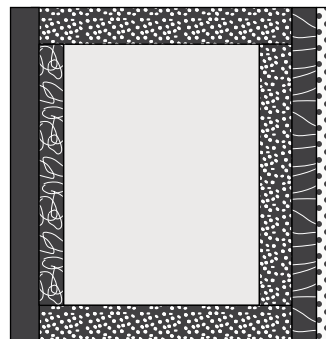
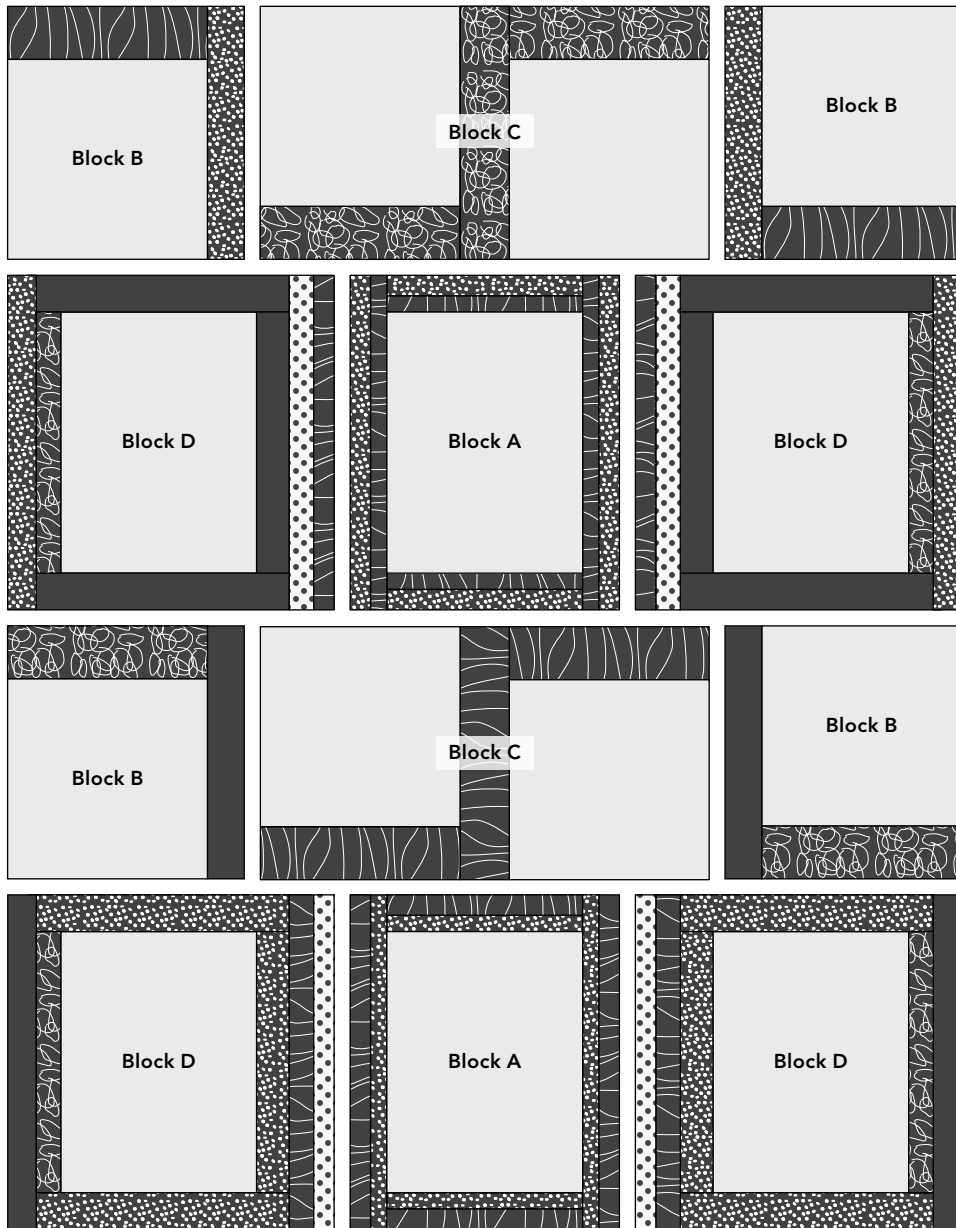


DIAGRAM 6

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QUILT ASSEMBLY DIAGRAM